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Security Council

10:00 — 7540th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

General Assembly
Seventieth session

Informal meetings of the plenary on the preparatory process for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly in December 2015, will be held *today*, 22 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 October 2015 and 15 October 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For additional information, please *click here*. [webcast]

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 12th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 88 to 105)

Nuclear weapons cluster *(continued)*

Other weapons of mass destruction cluster

[Documents of the Committee: *item 88* (A/70/139 and A/70/139/Add.1); *item 89* (A/70/29); *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92* (A/70/174, A/70/172 and A/70/172/Add.1); *item 93* (A/70/153 (Part I) and A/70/153 (Part I)/Add.1 and A/C.1/70/L.1); *item 94*; *item 95*; *item 96*; *item 97* (A/70/168, A/70/168/Add.1, A/70/81, A/70/181, A/70/163, A/70/163/Add.1, A/70/164, A/70/164/Add.1, A/70/155, A/70/117, A/70/183, A/70/157, A/70/169, A/70/169/Add.1, A/70/170, A/70/170/Add.1, A/70/182, A/70/182/Add.1, A/C.1/70/2, A/C.1/70/L.4, A/C.1/70/L.6, A/C.1/70/L.7, A/C.1/70/L.9, A/C.1/70/L.10, A/C.1/70/L.11 and A/C.1/70/L.15); *item 98* (A/70/116, A/70/138, A/70/114, A/70/165 and A/C.1/70/L.8); *item 99* (A/70/177, A/70/186, A/70/27, A/70/42 and A/C.1/70/L.14); *item 100* (A/70/153 (Part II) (to be issued) and A/C.1/70/L.2); *item 101*; *item 102* (A/70/160 and A/70/160/Add.1); *item 103* (A/70/171 and A/70/159); *item 104* (A/C.1/70/L.12); and *item 105*

Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1 and A/C.1/70/CRP.2).]

[The list of speakers for thematic discussion will close *today*, 22 October 2015, at 18:00. The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). An advance unedited version of the list of delegations has been posted on the QuickFirst Website. Subsequently, any additions and or changes to the list can be forwarded to the Secretary (please see instructions above). The list will be finalized and officially issued on Friday, 30 October. The names of participants submitted after issuance of the list would be included in an addendum, to be issued after the conclusion of the Committee's work.

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds. Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

A First Committee side events calendar is available by *clicking here*. To have an event added on the list, please contact Ms. Soo Hyun Kim (e-mail kim12@un.org).]

Joint Meeting

First Committee

15:00 to 18:00 — 13th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Joint ad hoc meeting of the First and Fourth Committees on possible challenges to space security and sustainability [item 97 (dd)]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

15:00 to 18:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [item 53]

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058).

The programme of the joint ad hoc meeting is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*) and the Fourth Committee Website (*click here*).]

Second Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 2

Informal consultations with civil society[1] *on the agenda and work of the Second Committee* [webcast]

Opening statements

His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee

Ms. Barbara Adams, Chair of the Global Policy Forum and the Moderator of the two panel discussions

Panel discussion 1 "How can the Second Committee ensure that its work is in line with the objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development?"

Presentations followed by interactive discussion

Panel discussion 2 "How should the agenda of the Second Committee look like in the coming years?"

Presentations followed by interactive discussion

Conclusion of the session

Wrap-up and summary of key issues by Ms. Barbara Adams, Chair of the Global Policy Forum

Closing remarks by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee

[All are invited to attend. For the detailed programme and further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee (*click here*); or contact Ms. Nahleen Ahmed, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail ahmed36@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5025).]

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[1] Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

Third Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 23rd meeting [webcast] — **Conference Room 1**

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/70/40) [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/70/56, A/70/111, A/70/154, A/70/166, A/70/167, A/70/203, A/70/212, A/70/213, A/70/216, A/70/217, A/70/255, A/70/257, A/70/258, A/70/259, A/70/260, A/70/261, A/70/263, A/70/266,A/70/270, A/70/271, A/70/274, A/70/275, A/70/279and Corr.1, A/70/285, A/70/286, A/70/287, A/70/290, A/70/297, A/70/303, A/70/304, A/70/306, A/70/310, A/70/316, A/70/334, A/70/342, A/70/345, A/70/347, A/70/361, A/70/371, A/70/405, A/70/414, A/70/415 and A/70/438 (to be issued))

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/70/313, A/70/332, A/70/352, A/70/362, A/70/392, A/70/393, A/70/411 (to be issued), A/70/412 (to be issued), A/C.3/70/2, A/C.3/70/4 (to be issued) and A/C.3/70/5 (to be issued))

Introductory statements, followed by interactive dialogues

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health

Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with albinism

Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living

15:00 to 18:00 — 24th meeting [webcast] — **Conference Room 1**

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/70/40) [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/70/56, A/70/111, A/70/154, A/70/166, A/70/167, A/70/203, A/70/212, A/70/213, A/70/216, A/70/217, A/70/255, A/70/257, A/70/258, A/70/259, A/70/260, A/70/261, A/70/263, A/70/266,A/70/270, A/70/271, A/70/274, A/70/275, A/70/279and Corr.1, A/70/285, A/70/286, A/70/287, A/70/290, A/70/297, A/70/303, A/70/304, A/70/306, A/70/310, A/70/316, A/70/334, A/70/342, A/70/345, A/70/347, A/70/361, A/70/371, A/70/405, A/70/414, A/70/415 and A/70/438 (to be issued))

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Introductory statements, followed by interactive dialogues

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders

Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression

Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on the remaining items of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session as well as deadlines for inscription in the speakers lists and submission of draft proposals, is available by *clicking here*. All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882). Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org). Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

Fifth Committee

10:00	9th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3
	Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (A/70/433) [item 136]	
	General discussion	
Morning[1] to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: International Trade Centre (A/70/6 (Sect. 13)/Add.1/Rev.1 and A/70/7/Add.1))	
15:00 to 16:30	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 143 (Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/70/187, A/70/188*, A/70/189, A/70/151 and A/70/420))	
16:30 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Special political missions (SPMs): funding and backstopping arrangements (A/66/340 and A/66/7/Add.21))	

[Delegations are reminded that the closing date for nominations for appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 114), is *tomorrow*, 23 October 2015.]

[Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, as soon as possible, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting. Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by *clicking here*.]

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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 9th meeting.

Sixth Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 14th meeting [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/70/33, A/70/119 and A/70/295) [item 84]

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal (*click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegates are invited to access the online form on the website of the Sixth Committee for purposes of registering for the Committee's UNITE Connections community (for the seventieth session), as well as to join the e-mail contact list of representatives attending the Sixth Committee.]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

1. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council – United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan
2. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council – Cluster III
3. Executive meeting

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Thirty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 22 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

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First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Effective measures on nuclear disarmament" (under agenda item 97 (b)) (convened by delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran) (with NAM Members)

From 18:00 to 19:30, in Conference Room A.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.5, entitled "International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development 2017" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

From 12:30 to 14:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.4, entitled "Proclamation of an International Day of Women in Science" (under agenda item 22 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Malta)

From 16:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room B.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

From 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room B.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Improvement of the Situation of Women in Rural Areas" (under agenda item 29) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

From 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.14, entitled "Persons with Albinism" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegations of Malawi and the United Republic of Tanzania)

From 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Italy)

From 13:00 to 14:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Toward the full realization of an inclusive and accessible United Nations for persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Republic of Korea)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 1.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International drug control" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

From 14:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Southern African Development Community (SADC) Girl Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Botswana)

From 14:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.13, entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room C.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Globalization and its impact on the full enjoyment of all human rights" (under agenda item 72 (b)) convened by the delegation of Egypt)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegations of the European Union and Uruguay)

From 17:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Right to Food" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Cuba)

From 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "National Human Rights Institutions" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Germany)

From 18:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room C.

Sixth Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Other meetings

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Thursday, 22 October 2015

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
13:15 to 15:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Group of Least Developed Countries (Second Committee experts)

10:15 to 11:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

African Group (First Committee experts)

12:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room A

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other activities

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Thursday, 22 October 2015

Briefing on "Triennial United Nations conferences on Oceans and Seas" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Fiji and Sweden)

From 11:00 to 12:30, in *Conference Room 7*.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anneli Bailey, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail anneli.bailey@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2521).]

Briefing on "The United Nations at 70: Working together to make a difference" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

From 11:15 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Event on "Cooperation between faith-based organizations in promoting freedom of religion or belief" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and the German Commission of Justice and Peace)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Katharina Kalaschnikow, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail pol-s2-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0440).]

Panel discussion on "Strengthening the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT): International Law and Effective Measures for Nuclear Disarmament" (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Katy Donnelly, Permanent Mission of New Zealand (email katy.donnelly@mfat.govt.nz).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Thursday, 22 October 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

10:30	Mr. Bernard Duhaime, Vice-Chair, Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances
11:15	Mr. David Kaye, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression
12:00	Press briefing by the Spokesperson
13:00	His Excellency José Manuel García-Margallo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain

General Assembly
Seventieth session

An informal meeting of the plenary for the commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Charter of the United Nations will be held on Friday, 23 October 2015, immediately after the adjournment of the 38th plenary meeting, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 October 2015 and 21 October 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold plenary meetings as follows:

On Monday, 26 October 2015, at 15:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 12 (Sport for development and peace: building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal).

On Tuesday, 27 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 42 (Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba) (report of the Secretary-General A/70/120) and draft resolution (A/70/L.2)).

On Wednesday, 28 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider sub-item (a) of agenda item 113 (Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination) (Note by the Secretary-General (A/70/355)) and sub-item (e) of agenda item 113 (Election of eighteen members of the Human Rights Council).

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 23 October 2015

General Assembly
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15:00 38th plenary meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Strengthening of the United Nations system: Declaration on the occasion of the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations: draft resolution (A/70/L.4) [item 122]

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 21 October, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (b) (Sustainable fisheries) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Tuesday, 10, to Tuesday, 17 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Wednesday, 18, to Tuesday, 24 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251 and A/70/251/Add.1), see documents A/70/252 and A/70/252/Add.1 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; with a copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained

in document A/70/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

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Main Committees

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold a joint plenary meeting with the Economic and Social Council on the topic "Illicit financial flows and development financing in Africa" on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2. The joint meeting will be co-chaired by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee, and His Excellency Oh Joon (Republic of Korea), President of the Economic and Social Council. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee (*click here*) or contact Mr. Joop Theunissen, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail theunissen@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7763).

The Second Committee programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the seventieth session of the General Assembly are available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

The list of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in*

writing, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item.

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5724).]

The Second Committee will hold its annual dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 2. The dialogue will be chaired by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee *(click here)* or contact Mr. Amr Nour, Regional Commissions New York Office (e-mail nour@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5565).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 5.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of Humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 73) (convened by the delegation of the European Union)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 9; and

Thursday, 29 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations" (under agenda item 97 (bb)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room E.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Global Code of Ethics for Tourism" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Eradication of Poverty" (under agenda item 24 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Chile)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 12:00 to 13:30, in Conference Room B.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) resolutions (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Cuba) (with NAM Members)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Recognizing the role of human rights defenders and the need for their protection" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 09:30 to 11:30, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.9, entitled "Promoting social integration through social inclusion" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 11:30 to 13:30, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.16, entitled "United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFRI)" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Uganda (on behalf of the African Group))

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 13:30 to 15:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Argentina, France and Morocco)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 13:30 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.17, entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-four special session of the General Assembly" (under the agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Comoros (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China))

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.15, entitled "Integrating volunteering into peace and development: the plan of action for the next decade and beyond" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.11, entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Republic of Moldova)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 17:30 to 19:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 18:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room C.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 08:30 to 09:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 27 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Forthcoming other activities

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Event entitled "Syrian Women Peacebuilders" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and Kvinna till Kvinna)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 09:00 to 10:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Birgitta Tsoma, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail birgitta.tsoma@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583 2527).].

Event on "Reclaiming the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda: Mobilizing Within and Beyond the United Nations Security Council resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) Framework" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ireland and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), the Women's Peacemakers Program (WPP), the Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (Cordaid), and the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 11.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Bekker, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (e-mail alexandra.bekker@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9717); or Ms. Gizem Kilinç (e-mail g.kilinc@gppac.net).]

High-level launch of the "Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 12:30 to 13:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. René Holbach, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail rene.holbach@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 230).]

Briefing on "UNECE and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda: Norms, Standards, Conventions and Review Mechanisms" (by the Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)) (organized by the Regional Commissions New York Office (RCNYO))

Friday, 23 October 2105, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ansley Lancourt, RCNYO (email lancourt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8518).]

Event on "Discussing drones: engaging the international communities on unmanned systems" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica and PAX)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room A.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Maritza Chan, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mchan@missioncrun.org).]

Panel of the Lecture Series on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) entitled "After the High-level Review – Connecting Local and Global Action to Implement the WPS Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein, the Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination (LISD)/Princeton University and the Peace Women Project of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 16:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Ms. Anne Byberg, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail ab@nyc.llv.li).]

Panel discussion entitled "Toward the full realization of an inclusive and accessible United Nations for persons with disabilities" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Antigua and Barbuda, Brazil, Italy, Poland, Republic of Korea and the United Republic of Tanzania, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Tuesday, 27 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Janice Yoon, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail jyoon715@gmail.com; tel. 1 (718) 801-1783).]

Panel discussion on "Effective implementation of Security Council targeted sanctions, key to promoting peace and security" (on the occasion of the launch of the SanctionsApp Version 3.0) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Tuesday, 27 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Stephanie Winet, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail stephanie.winet@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (212) 286-1540).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "A Personal and Political Quest for Gender Justice" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 28 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please, *click here* for further information.]

Event on "Illicit financial flows, human rights and the post-2015 development agenda " (co-organized by the Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 29 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gunnar Theissen, OHCHR (e-mail gtheissen@ohchr.org); or Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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For the month of October 2015

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Introduction to Library Services

For the month of November 2015

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Law Library Overview

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation

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Introduction to Library Services

General Assembly Documentation

Security Council Documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016.

This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 21 October 2015

General Assembly

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[archived video]

37th plenary meeting

Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [item 112 (b)]

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority and the largest number of votes, Afghanistan (179 votes), Algeria (185 votes), Australia (172 votes), Belgium (170 votes), Chile (180 votes), the Czech Republic (179 votes), Guyana (182 votes), Iraq (179 votes), Italy (178 votes), Lebanon (182 votes), Nigeria (184 votes), Peru (180 votes), the Republic of Moldova (179 votes), Rwanda (181 votes), Somalia (183 votes), South Africa (180 votes), the United States of America (169 votes) and Viet Nam (182 votes) were elected members of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2016.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 112.

Main Committees

First Committee

[archived video]

11th meeting

Thematic discussions

The Committee continued the second phase of its work, namely thematic discussion on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of draft resolutions and decisions submitted on all disarmament and related international security agenda items (items 88 to 105).

The President of the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (Algeria) made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of a group of States), New Zealand (who introduced, also on behalf of Brazil, draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.35, entitled "Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas"), Japan, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea, Lithuania, Ecuador, Spain, Iraq, Kuwait, Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Nuclear disarmament"), the United Arab Emirates, Malawi, the Syrian Arab Republic, Sweden, the Russian Federation, Trinidad and Tobago, the United Kingdom, Egypt, Libya, Turkey, Nicaragua, Palau, Zambia, Morocco and the Philippines.

The representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the United States, Japan, Egypt and the Republic of Korea made statements in exercise of the right of reply.

Third Committee

[archived video]

21st meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

The Committee began its joint consideration of the sub-items.

Introductory statement

The High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Brazil, Morocco, Costa Rica, Colombia, Chile, Austria, Ireland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, India, Mexico, Indonesia, Switzerland, China, the Russian Federation, the European Union, Latvia, the United Kingdom, the United States, Belarus, Liechtenstein, Norway, Spain, Cuba, Iraq, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Yemen, Libya, the Sudan, Armenia, Sierra Leone (on behalf of the Group of African States), the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, Turkey, Nigeria, Israel, Myanmar and Eritrea, as well as the observer of the State of Palestine.

The observer of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation also made a statement.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Georgia) made a statement.

22nd meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the sub-items.

Introductory statements and oral report

The Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Myanmar made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by representatives of Myanmar, the United Kingdom, Malaysia, Egypt (on behalf of the States members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation) and the European Union.

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights.

A statement was made by the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Chair of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, who engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Mexico, Morocco, the European Union, Argentina, France, Japan, Armenia and Colombia.

The Committee heard an oral report by the Vice-Chair of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, who engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Argentina, Morocco, the European Union, France, the United States and Mexico.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Secretary.

The Vice-Chair (Guyana) made a statement.

Fifth Committee

[archived video]

8th meeting

Pattern of conferences [item 137]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chair of the Committee on Conferences, Mr. Marcelo Scappini Ricciardi (Paraguay) introduced the report of the Committee on Conferences for 2015 (A/70/32).

The Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management introduced the report of the Secretary-General on Pattern of conferences (A/70/122).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/70/432).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group), India, Japan and Paraguay.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be held on that day, Wednesday, 21 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting and would be coordinated by Mr. Marcio Burity (Angola).

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

International Trade Centre

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the report on Section 13: International Trade Centre of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 (A/70/6 (Sect. 13)/Add.1/Rev.1).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/70/7/Add.1).

The representative of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Mr. Manjunath Cheneerappa (India).

Programme planning [item 135]

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/70/L.3 which had been coordinated by the representative of Israel.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item and the Chair requested the Rapporteur to report directly thereon to the General Assembly.

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Sierra Leone
His Excellency Vandi Chidi Minah

Asia-Pacific States:
Cambodia
His Excellency Ry Tuy

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
His Excellency František Ružička

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
His Excellency Carlisle Richardson
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Western European and other States:
Ireland
His Excellency David Donoghue

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Security Council

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The website of the Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution1540 (2004)
www.un.org/sc/1540/

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Economic and Social Council
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